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Petition for Acceptance of an Unintentionally Delayed
Claim for Benefit of a Prior-Filed Application Under 35 U.S.C. § 120

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(3), Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner to accept an unintentionally delayed claim under 35 U.S.C. § 120 for the benefit of prior-filed International Application No. PCT/DK02/00459, filed July 2, 2002, and which designated the United States of America. The present application, which was filed December 29, 2003, is a national stage of that international application. The Declaration/Power of Attorney submitted with the application included a claim for benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 to the filing date of International Application No. PCT/DK02/00459, filed July 2, 2002, as well as a foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 to Denmark patent application PA-200101047, filed July 3, 2001. However, Applicants did not amend the application to contain a reference to the prior-filed international application within the later of four months from the date on which the national stage commenced in the international application or sixteen months from the filing

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date of the prior-filed Denmark application. In support of this Petition, the undersigned hereby states the following:

- (i) A preliminary amendment, which includes the reference to the priorfiled international application, is submitted herewith;
- (ii) A check in the amount of \$1,330.00, for the surcharge set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(t), is submitted herewith; and
- (iii) The entire delay between the date the claim was due under paragraph 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(2)(ii), which is understood to be April 29, 2004, and today, which is the date on which the claim was filed, was unintentional.

Based on the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that this petition be granted, the accompanying Second Preliminary Amendment be entered, and the Applicants' claim under 35 U.S.C. 120 for benefit of a prior-filed international application designating the United States of America be accepted. In the event any additional fees are necessary, kindly charge the cost thereof to our Deposit Account No. 13-2855, under Order No. 30120/32005.

Dated: August 12, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

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